

Cc: Wroble, Julie[Wroble.Julie@epa.gov]; Stralka, Daniel[Stralka.Daniel@epa.gov]; Hiatt, Gerald[Hiatt.Gerald@epa.gov]; **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**; **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**; Maddaloni, Mark[Maddaloni.Mark@epa.gov]; MacIer, Bruce[MacIer.Bruce@epa.gov]; Johnson, Jere[Johnson.Jere@epa.gov]
To: Kelly, Jack (R3 Phila.)(Kelly.Jack@epa.gov)
From: **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**
Sent: Mon 1/13/2014 11:20:01 PM
Subject: Re: west virginia drinking water contamination

Hi Jack

Thanks for the info, it was very helpful. My point, which the Huffington Post played up, was the lack of stories on WV vs the stories on Christie. In the olden days, EPA would have put your words into a nice press release (and put it on your web site) to indicate that we are on top of it and ready to provide assistance. Without press coverage (strutting our help and skills) both ATSDR and EPA are vulnerable to critic attacks and loss of funds. Ruckelshaus and most subsequent Administrators learned that being in the headlines, allowed us to do our job.

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On Jan 13, 2014, at 2:02 PM, Kelly, Jack (R3 Phila.) <Kelly.Jack@epa.gov> wrote:

West Coast skeptics I see. ;)

Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy, be nice

WV contacted ATSDR/CDC for a "safe level". Asked if EPA supports it (answer was yes). Dawn reviewed what little info available. We have one rat study from Eastman Inc (their product/mixture) and whatever else ATSDR could cull from the literature/similar chemicals. We spoke with Eastman tox several times. Dupont helped develop a standard for lab analyses. EPA not asked to help all that much by WV although we have a conference call every day to discuss issues in case we are/be prepared. Two OSCs at the incident monitoring. Truth is we don't butt in if not asked to help or things are in bad shape.. We have offered to help numerous times..

From: **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 4:01:19 PM
To: Kelly, Jack (R3 Phila.)
Cc: Wroble, Julie; Johnson, Jere; Stralka, Daniel; Hiatt, Gerald
Subject: Fwd: west virginia drinking water contamination

Hi Jack

Hope you are doing fine, I am enjoying retirement, including taking pot shots at EPA. See the below email chain I started about the lack of EPA news on the West Virg. crisis.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Wroble, Julie" <Wroble.Julie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: west virginia drinking water contamination

Date: January 13, 2014 at 12:49:44 PM PST

To: "Stralka, Daniel" <Stralka.Daniel@epa.gov>, Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

<Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy Johnson, Jere"

<Johnson.Jere@epa.gov>

Cc: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy, "Rosenblum, Shelly"

<Rosenblum.Shelly@epa.gov>, "Hiatt, Gerald"

<Hiatt.Gerald@epa.gov>, "Maddaloni, Mark"

<Maddaloni.Mark@epa.gov>

Jack Kelly has more info on this if anyone is interested.

-----Original Message-----

From: Stralka, Daniel

Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 12:36 PM

To: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy Johnson, Jere

Cc: Rosenblum, Shelly; Hiatt, Gerald; Wroble, Julie;

Maddaloni, Mark

Subject: RE: west virginia drinking water contamination

From the reports I have seen, it seems like they are using the
Poison Control Center. But there is little tox info that I can find.

How was it arrived at that 1 ppm was safe?

-----Original Message-----

From: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 10:37 AM

To: Johnson, Jere

Cc: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy Rosenblum, Shelly; Hiatt, Gerald; Stralka,

Daniel; Jan Taradash; Wroble, Julie; Maddaloni, Mark

Subject: Re: west virginia drinking water contamination

All the more reason why in the past EPA would be helping (
particularly on tox and risk) and publicizing it in the media.
Because it is an inland river spill I believe Coast Guard has the
lead, but they have no tox expertise unless they are using ATSDR.

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On Jan 13, 2014, at 9:50 AM, Johnson, Jere

<Johnson.Jere@epa.gov> wrote:

Guys - It might be because it's Monday morning
and I'm cranky, but HELLO? - it's West Virginia.
When was the last time you heard any sort of
concern for the environment coming from their
electeds? They worship at the feet of Big Coal. As
you sow, so shall you reap.

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If I do not respond to a message, I may be out of the office.

Security settings do not permit my "Out of Office" automatic e-mail response to be shared outside of EPA.

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From: **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**  
Sent: Sunday, January 12, 2014 4:17 PM  
To: **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**  
Cc: Johnson, Jere; Rosenblum, Shelly; Hiatt, Gerald; Stralka, Daniel; Jan Taradash; Wroble, Julie; Maddaloni, Mark  
Subject: Re: west virginia drinking water contamination

This may be EPA's new direction or there may be a lack of direction. Hard to know not being inside the Agency. There was a brief very mention at the end of a long article that EPA had taken the lead in the investigation though responsibility is primarily with the State.

Sent from my iPad

On Jan 12, 2014, at 3:29 PM, Arnold D. **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** <[redacted]> wrote:

The Huffington Post has a story concerning the lack of media attention to the West Virg drinking water crisis as none of the Sunday newsies carried the story. What is sadder is there are also no stories on USEPA involvement. Both the EPA

National and Region 3 websites do not mention the contamination.

Under previous administrations, republican and democrat, EPA would be out front in the media detailing its efforts to protect the public.

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